dispersed their army. The army charged to the shout of *Vive I'Empereur,* and *No more Bourbons in Europe.*

19th, Bayonne:

(To Joseph Napoleon, King of Spain.) My Brother: You should not be surprised at having to conquer your kingdom. Philip V and Henry IV had to conquer theirs. Keep your spirits up, don't allow yourself to be depressed, and never for one moment doubt but that matters will finish better and more quickly than you imagine.

25th, Toulouse:

Austria is arming, but denies it; she is therefore arming against us. She is spreading the report that I demand some of her provinces: she is therefore trying to cloak as a rightful defence an unprovoked and hopeless attack. Since Austria is arming, we too must arm. I am therefore ordering the Grand Army to be reinforced. My troops are concentrating at Strassburg, Mainz, Wesel.

31st, Bordeaux:

(To Joseph.) I don't like the tone of your letter of the 24th. There is no question of dying, but of fighting, and of being victorious. I shall find in Spain the pillars of Hercules, not the bounds of my power. In all my military career I have seen nothing more cowardly than these mobs of Spanish soldiers.

You must support Dupont. Don't be uneasy as to the outcome of all this business.

August 1st. I can see from the report of the cuirassier officer that Dupont's corps will have to retreat. The whole thing is inconceivable.

2d. Brute! Fool! Coward! Dupont has lost Spain to save his baggage!